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REMARKS

The Examiner has again rejected claims 1-26 and 30-34 as being based upon a defective reissue Declaration under 35 U.S.C. 251. Specifically, the Examiner asserts that the reissue declaration filed with the application is defective because it fails to identify at least one error which is relied upon to support the reissue examination. In particular, the Examiner asserts that the error is not recited correctly. In other words, the Examiner asserts that specific changes to the claims must be identified and new claims differences in the language needs to be pointed out. The Examiner also makes the statement that the oath is defective because it fails to contain a statement that all errors which are being corrected in the reissue application up to the time of filing of the declaration arose without deceptive intent on the part of the Applicant.

Applicants provide herewith a new reissue application declaration signed by each of the inventors. This declaration was forwarded previously to the Examiner for review and consideration to determine that the issues as cited in the detailed action were overcome by the recitation set forth in the reissue application declaration. In a telephone conference with the Examiner, Applicants' undersigned attorney believes that the Examiner accepted the language set forth in the declaration. The declaration further includes a statement that all errors which are being corrected in the reissue application up to the time of filing the declaration arose without deceptive intent on the part of the applicant.

Consequently, in light of the foregoing and the enclosed reissue application declaration, the Applicants believe that the Office Action has been rendered moot. Should the Examiner have any questions regarding this matter, the undersigned attorney would welcome a telephone call. No fees are presently believed due for the filing of this response.

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